



CONFERENCE OF PERIPHERAL AND MARITIME REGIONS  
INTERMEDITERRANEAN  
COMMISSION



## THE “MEDITERRANEAN AWARDS”

### I. Framework

In Spain, Andalusia is a historically and internationally recognized region, not only in the Mediterranean but in the rest of the world. It is also an area of coexistence and respect for the different cultures that have inhabited the territory throughout history.

On the basis of this heritage, the Junta de Andalucía (Regional Government of Andalusia, Spain), through the Three Cultures of the Mediterranean Foundation, has the honour to present the call for the **1<sup>st</sup> Edition of the Mediterranean Awards**, under the auspices of the Inter-Mediterranean Commission of the Conference of Peripheral and Maritime Regions.

In line with the “**New Agenda for the Mediterranean**” approved in 2021, the year in which we launched these Awards, we want to contribute to relaunching and strengthening the strategic partnership between the European Union and its southern partners by joining forces in the search for common responses to the global challenges.

In order to achieve this objective, these **Mediterranean Awards** are created as a tool to make visible the best practices in the Mediterranean in the areas included in the European and Mediterranean agenda.

The **objective** of these Awards, which are born now with a marked character of enduring over time, is **to recognize the work of people and / or institutions, companies and other organisations that with their trajectory have contributed to boosting the Mediterranean identity, promoting sustainable and integrated development** on all its shores, **fostering peace, intercultural and interreligious dialogue in the Mediterranean basin**, focusing on the elements that are common to us in order to overcome what separates us.

**Candidates** can submit their own nominations or be proposed by a third party **in one or both of the existing categories**. Nominations by candidates or by third parties may be submitted by national, regional or local governments; academic and cultural institutions; members of the jury,

companies and other organisations or any person acting on his/her own behalf, from anywhere in the world. **Jury members themselves will not be admissible as candidates.**

The **awarded persons and / or institutions, companies and other organisations must necessarily belong to one of the Mediterranean riparian countries:** Spain, France, Monaco, Italy, Malta, Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Albania, Greece, Cyprus, Turkey, Syria, Lebanon, Israel, Palestine, Egypt, Libya, Tunisia, Algeria and Morocco. Likewise, **Jordan and Mauritania** are included as members of ARLEM (The Euro-Mediterranean Regional and Local Assembly) and **Portugal.**

The **formula for submitting nominations** will be made by filling in the form for this purpose hosted on the web: <https://premiosdelmediterraneo.org/>. Likewise, a letter of candidacy will be sent through the mentioned form in any of the following languages: Spanish, English or French.

Before the application is submitted, the legal notice and the privacy policy must be accepted on the website: <https://premiosdelmediterraneo.org/>. The candidate will receive an acknowledgment of receipt of the application via e-mail, if this is not the case, please send an e-mail to: [premiosmed@tresculturas.org](mailto:premiosmed@tresculturas.org), indicating an application has been submitted but acknowledgment of receipt has not been received. In the event of a nomination being submitted by a third party must have the consent of the proposed candidate.

The electronic mail: [premiosmed@tresculturas.org](mailto:premiosmed@tresculturas.org) will be the address to contact to report any technical incident or query in relation to these Awards.

The letter of candidacy that, in case of being sent by an institution, company or other organization must be on its official letterhead, signed, in any case, as well as stamped, whenever possible. This letter must contain at least the following information:

- **Name, surname, nationality** and/or business name of the person/institution, company or other organisation submitting its nomination or being proposed by a third party.
- **Contact** coordinates (e-mail and telephone number at least) of the person/institution, company or other organisation submitting its nomination or being proposed by a third party.
- **Category and Award** to which it is presented.
- **Reasoned statement** of no less than 300 words and no more than 500 on the merits of the candidate's person/institution, company or other organisation together with a supporting dossier/memory (photographic reports, videos, etc.) of those merits if it were an institution, company or other organisation or a resumé as detailed as possible if it were a person, including in both cases, if appropriate, support for the candidacy that endorses and justifies the merits adduced in the rationale.

## II. Categories

**Category 1. Institutional Awards for institutions, companies or other organisations, as well as for persons.**

- **Mediterranean Digital Award (MDA).** Projects of institutions or companies (be these SMEs, micro-SMEs, cooperatives, etc.) or other organisations, or persons, that contribute to increasing competitiveness or improving services thanks to digitalisation will be awarded.
- **Mediterranean Green Award (MGA).** Projects from institutions or companies (be they SMEs, micro-SMEs, cooperatives, etc.) or other organisations, or persons, that contribute to reducing the ecological footprint or environmental impact in the Mediterranean and making it a more sustainable area will be awarded.
- **Mediterranean Women’s Award (MWA).** Aimed at projects of institutions or companies (be these SMEs, micro-SMEs, cooperatives, etc.) or other organisations, or persons, that promote the empowerment of women at all levels of economic, cultural, scientific or academic activity, contributing to the reduction in the Mediterranean of existing obstacles to the access of women, especially those in rural areas, to all their potential and resources, without discrimination on the grounds of gender.
- **Mediterranean Solidarity Award (MSA).** Aimed at projects of institutions or companies (be these SMEs, micro-SMEs, cooperatives, etc.) or other organisations, or persons, that sponsor solidarity actions, especially in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, or to reduce the economic, social, cultural and academic or any other kind of gap between the different shores of the Mediterranean.
- **Mediterranean Identity Award (MIA).** Aimed at projects of institutions or companies (be these SMEs, micro-SMEs, cooperatives, etc.) or other organisations, or persons, that promote the values, traditions, aspirations and attitudes of the peoples bathed by the Mediterranean, helping to enhance and highlight their distinctive features, the relations between their people, creativity, arts and sciences, as well as the ideas that, over the centuries, have shaped the Mediterranean way of life.

## **Category 2. *Ad personam* Award.**

- **Mediterranean of the Year Award (MYA).** This award recognizes the trajectory of a person or a group of people for their involvement, commitment, and dedication in contributing to making the Mediterranean a better space in any of the category 1 areas.

**III. Evaluation criteria that the jury will take into account in its decision according to the following scale template.**

<b>CANDIDATURE: NAME, SURNAME AND/OR BUSINESS NAME OF THE PERSON/INSTITUTION, COMPANY OR OTHER ORGANISATION</b>						
<b>EVALUATION CRITERIA (Points from 1 to 5, with 1 being the minimum)</b>	<b>TYPE OF AWARD</b>					
	<b>MDA</b>	<b>MGA</b>	<b>MWA</b>	<b>MSA</b>	<b>MIA</b>	<b>MYA</b>
1. Innovative character of the person / institution, company or other organisations proposed.						
2. Quality of work or actions carried out.						
3. Respect for artistic, cultural, social, or environmental value.						
4. Authenticity and integrity of the proposal.						
5. European and especially Mediterranean dimension.						
6. Sustainability, social responsibility,						

transferability, and possibility of replicating proposed actions or initiatives.						
7. Good results and good practices achieved, especially regarding the commitment and participation of citizens in actions or activities.						
<b>TOTAL POINTS EARNED</b>						

#### IV. Candidate selection procedure

The jury, which will be multidisciplinary and will have a president and a secretary, will be made up of representatives of regional, national, European and international entities that share or promote the principles of collaboration between the peoples and civilisations of the countries bordering the Mediterranean basin in order to transform this region into a space for dialogue, exchange and cooperation in which peace, stability and prosperity are guaranteed, also taking into account, in the context of the recovery of COVID-19, the objectives set out in the New Agenda for the Mediterranean in terms of a green, digital, resilient and fair recovery, guided by the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Paris Agreement and the European Green Deal.

Any member of the jury who, if applicable, has proposed any candidature (s) must be inhibited in voting on the modality of the Prize (s) to which that candidacy (s) concurs.

In order to carry out its functions of selecting the candidatures presented, the jury may be supported by entities or persons who do not form part of the jury and who, on the basis of the knowledge they possess in all or each of the subjects covered by the Awards or due to the specialisation of their professional activity or field of competence, may provide advice in the evaluation of these candidatures.

Each application will be evaluated with a maximum score of 5 points for each criterion, in accordance with the provisions of section III.

The Presidency of the Jury will have a casting vote.

The winners must accept the Award by letter addressed to the Fundación Tres Culturas del Mediterráneo, at the e-mail address: **premiosmed@tresculturas.org** or, where appropriate, by postal mail to the address: c/ Max Planck nº 2, Pabellón Hassan II, Isla de la Cartuja, 41092 Seville (Spain) to the attention of the managing director, notifying by telephone, in the latter case, of this circumstance at the number +34 954 08 80 30, all of those contact data of the Three Cultures of the Mediterranean Foundation, which is also the Permanent Secretariat of the Mediterranean Awards.

The deadline for acceptance will be a maximum of 4 calendar days after receipt of the notification of the jury's decision. The winner of the Prize must attend personally, except for justified reasons of force majeure, to receive it.